Availability of Documents

The Part 21 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) was published in the Federal Register for comment on October 5, 2006. This NPRM contains major changes in the quality system requirements for Production Approval Holders, as well as changes to part marking and export requirements. There are also many minor changes which affect other aspects of Part 21.

The NPRM has a comment period of October 5, 2006 through January 3, 2007. Interested parties may download the NPRM and submit comments on it through the Department of Transportation (DOT) Docket Management System (DMS) at http://dms.dot.gov. The docket number for the NPRM is FAA-2006-25877.

There are three new Advisory Circulars (AC) and one revised AC that serve as the implementation piece for the NPRM. The ACs are advisory in nature, and offer an acceptable means, but not the only means, for compliance with the requirements of the new Part 21 rule. The <u>ACs</u> will be available for comment from October 5, 2006 through January 3, 2007 on the FAA website. A docket number has been issued for the purpose of consolidating comments to the ACs. That docket number is FAA-2006-25882, and is located in the DOT DMS. When submitting comments to the ACs, please note which AC is being commented on.

The four ACs are:

- AC 21-Trans, Transition Document for 14 CFR Part 21
- AC 21-PAH, Issuance of Production Approvals Under Subparts G, K, and O
- AC 21-Subpart L, Issuance of Export Airworthiness Approvals Under 14 CFR Part 21 Subpart L
- AC 45-2D, Identification and Registration Marking